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BANQUET TO-NIGHT TO NATIONAL UNION

Fraternal Society to Initiate
Twenty Candidates at Business Meeting.

The National Union, a representative fraternal, beneficial society, with a total membership of 65,000, holds its next meeting of the supreme body in Richmond, July, 1908. The State of Virginia is represented in this national meeting by Mr. W. L. Walters, cashier of the Commonwealth Bank, and it was through his influence that the forthcoming meeting was secured in Richmond. The local organizations, designated "councils," are five in number, and include many of the prominent business men of Richmond. The several councils of this city will hold a union meeting to-night in Lee Camp Hall, and about twenty candidates are to be initiated.

The ritualistic ceremonies will be conducted by the national vice-president of the order, Mr. Harry E. Evans, of Trenton, N. J., and will be followed by a banquet at the Jefferson Hotel. Mr. Walters will be toastmaster, and the Mayor will respond to "Richmond." The occasion is looked forward to by the members of the Richmond councils as a revival of the work in Virginia this winter, and a general deputy, Mr. Hedley Boyd, of Washington, has been sent here for the purpose of increasing the membership.

Invitations have been extended to out-of-town members residing at Norfolk, Portsmouth, Roanoke, Petersburg, Fredericksburg and elsewhere. A second session of the union meetings are contemplated for the winter for the general extension of the order in Virginia.

EPPS SHOT ACCIDENTALLY

Willie Walker, Fourteen Years Old, Unhappily of Murder Charge.

Willie Walker, the fourteen-year-old colored boy, whose victim, Burton Epps, died in the City Almshouse Tuesday morning, was dismissed of the murder charge in the Police Court yesterday morning. A coroner's jury sitting on the case did not fix the blame on any one, the evidence of two little negro boys who saw the shooting being to the effect that it was done accidentally.

It is possible, however, that the case may be investigated by the grand jury, as Epps's mother has stated that Walker had threatened to shoot her child.

Walker is now in jail, serving a six months' sentence for theft, and charges of other thefts will be later brought against him.

Six Go to Jail.
Before Magistrate Allen yesterday morning, Lillie N. Jones, Ralph Ramsey, Mary Shaw, Mary Williams, Laura Austin and Annie Green, all colored, were all fined \$2.50 and costs for trespassing and stealing coal from the Seaboard Air Line Railway. The crowd had for some time been systematically stealing coal, and were nabbed in the act yesterday by Constable Rogers. None of them had the change, so were sent to jail.

To Wed in Henrico.
Marriage licenses were issued by Clerk Waddill, of Henrico county, to Robert E. Gregory and Hannah Martin, and William P. Johnson and Annie Elizabeth Wingfield. Mr. Gregory is a resident of Portsmouth, and Mr. Johnson is an insurance agent, living in Henrico county.

Real Mora Temple.
A full dress rehearsal of the officers of the Beni Mora Temple, D. O. K. E. K. was held at Corcoran Hall last night. A ceremonial session will be held next Wednesday night.

The drug—caffeine—in coffee causes indigestion and belching in many pale persons with no appetite who could be relieved if they could be induced to stop coffee.

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DENIES TRESPASS

Held in Order to Summon Ellen Barber to Testify He Peeped in Window.

M. H. Woodbridge (colored) was ordered held until this morning in order to give time for the investigation of the charge against him of trespassing on the property of Charles DuBose, at 223 East Marshall Street. It was stated by Ellen Barber (colored), who lives in the rear of Mr. DuBose's residence, that she saw the negro peeping in one of the back windows. Mr. DuBose chased the negro and caught him on Broad Street. He denied having committed the trespass, and the case was continued in order to summon Ellen Barber to court to testify in the affair.

IMPORTANT MEETING

Addresses to Be Made To-Night Before Associated Charities.

The Associated Charities of Richmond will hold a very important public meeting in the Jefferson Hotel auditorium this evening, beginning at 8:15 o'clock. The opening prayer will be delivered by the Rev. Russell Cecil, after which will come the president's address. Then will come the report of the treasurer, Mr. J. Stewart Bryan; of the general secretary, Dr. Buchanan, and reports of other officers. Various speeches will be made. Mr. Henry Randolph Cabell will speak on "Associated Charities as an Economic Factor in City Life." Mr. Joseph Bryan will speak on "Associated Charities as an Investment." Mr. Alfred B. Williams will speak on "Deserted Wives and Helpless Children," the Rev. Thomas Semmes on "The Worthy Poor" and Mr. Robert Lecky, Jr., on "Co-operation."

GOOD SHOW AT BIJOU

Chorus Sings and Dances With a Vim. Plenty of Fun.

York and Adams, in "Playing the Ponies," at the Bijou this week, are drawing large crowds. The piece is a real musical comedy and is one of the best shows that has been to the Bijou this season, for the chorus is full of good dancers and singers, and keeps the audience sitting up and taking notice through the entire performance. One of the best features of the show is the singing of J. Aldrich Libbey, one of the best ballad artists in the business. His song, "In the Apple Blossom Time," composed by himself, is very good, and gets much applause. There is a realistic horse-race at Sheephead Bay track in the first act, and Luna Park and Coney Island are well set in the second. The show will close its engagement here Saturday night.

DEEP INTEREST IN MEETINGS

Revival at First Baptist Church Drawing Good Results.

A large crowd was in attendance last night on the evangelistic service now being conducted at the First Baptist Church by the pastor, Dr. George W. McDaniel. The number of men attending these services is very large, and at this time the larger number of conversions have been men.

Dr. McDaniel preached last night from the twenty-seventh chapter of the Gospel of Matthew, a plan of the unconverted. There were five who made a profession of faith.

Young Man Steals Ride.
A respectable looking young man, giving his name as Albert Sidney Johnson, appearing at the Magistrate's office yesterday morning, charged with riding on the freight train of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, was fined \$2.50 and costs, and not having the money, he was sent to jail. The arrest was made by Special Officer Dunnigan.

Tickets Distributed.
Richmond Lodge No. 45, B. P. O. E., held their annual night and tickets for the coming memorial exercises on December 1st were distributed. Former Governor A. J. Montague will deliver the address, and the exercises will be held in the Bijou Theatre.

Emma Little Caught Here.
Emma Little, alias Campbell, was arrested yesterday by Detective Sergeant Gibson on the request of the authorities of Rockingham, N. C., where she is wanted on the charge of embezzlement. The authorities will send for her.

Ladies to Give Silver Tea.
The ladies of the Recur's Aid Society will give a silver tea at the parish hall, Barton Heights, from 8 to 11 o'clock this evening. The tea is for the benefit of the Epiphany Church. A most interesting program has been arranged, and refreshments will be served.

Wants to Join Navy.
Richard Newman, escaped from the Laurel Reformatory and recaptured by the original captor, Bicycle Policeman Smith, was ordered back to the Reformatory by Judge Crutcher yesterday morning. The boy declared that he would run away again, as he wanted to join the navy.

Doherty Speaks.
Labor Commissioner James B. Doherty addressed the Union League Club at Smithfield Hall last night. Mr. Doherty's subject was "Suffrage."

WON'T RECOMMEND PRIVATE EXCHANGE

Cost of City Hall Branch to Be Considered Direct by Council.

A meeting of the subcommittee on electricity, which was constituted recently and charged with the duty of investigating the advisability of installing a branch exchange telephone service in the City Hall to connect all municipal telephones, was held yesterday evening in City Electrician Thompson's office in the City Hall. Messrs. J. W. Crews, assistant general manager for this district, and H. Morris, local manager of the Southern Bell Company, were present and conferred with the subcommittee.

There are now forty-six stations on direct service, with four extension sets, which cost the city \$1,112 per annum. With the installation of the exchange it is proposed to add twenty new stations, making a total of sixty-six. With this number of stations under the branch exchange system the cost will amount to \$3,759, which would be the employment of three operators. The total cost for the same number of stations on the direct service, as at present, would amount to \$2,552.

Comparison of the branch exchange service with that of the direct service, it was shown, is overwhelmingly in favor of the direct service, as with the exchange service persons have to call through two operators and there are more chances for mistakes. The committee will not make any recommendations concerning the branch exchange service, but will report the facts as presented with the figures of cost for each kind of service.

SAM HILL UNINJURED

Big Mass of Iron Falls on His Head, But Only Slight Big Bump.

Sam Hill, colored, No. 126 North Twenty-sixth Street, while unloading a car of iron at the Ninth Street crossing of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad had the misfortune to have a heavy mass of it fall on his head. A big grove in the track struck him, but he was not otherwise injured, and Sam didn't know of the occurrence until some one walked out to the City Home and asked Dr. Hinchman to reduce the bump. Dr. Hinchman told him that time would be his best physician, and contented, the negro departed.

William Bates in Grand Jury.
William Bates (colored) charged with making an assault on William Burrell, was sent to the grand jury from the Police Court yesterday morning. It was noted that he was with William Scott when the latter fractured Burrell's skull and some other things over the head. Scott has been sent to the grand jury, but there was no proof against Burrell, and he was dismissed.

"Medical Economies."
Dr. William H. Taylor, professor of chemistry in the Medical College of Virginia, was delivering a lecture in the student body Friday night at 8 o'clock. The subject was "Medical Economies." These lectures are not for the regular curriculum, but are of a popular character and are compulsory. It is always large.

Harry Hill Stabbed.
Harry Hill (colored), No. 2761 West Gray Street, was stabbed last night by a white man, but was not seriously injured. It was stated that the white man, because the negro had insulted a white woman, but investigation on the part of Sergeant Hinchman put the charge of assault without, and no reliance was placed in the rumor.

WILL HECHLER BE ABLE TO GIVE \$100,000 BOND?

Treasurer-Elect Says that the Rumor to the Effect that He is Having Trouble to Secure Bondsmen is Only Malice and the Last Attempt of His Enemies to Injure Him—Says He Will Give Bond All Right.

Following the many other difficulties which have assailed Mr. H. C. Hechler in again becoming treasurer of Henrico county, comes now the rumor that he will find it difficult, if not impossible, to give the required bond, which will be something like \$100,000. It has been noted abroad that acceptable personal security cannot be obtained by him, and that the gilt-edged surety companies are loth to bond him. This report, though somewhat vague in origin, has nevertheless been circulated throughout the city and county, despite the fact that it has been given small credence.

Mr. Hechler last night said that having until next January to execute the necessary bond, he had so far made no effort towards obtaining it, and that all reports to the effect that he is having trouble are absolutely without creditable foundation. He says that

TIED OUT, FIND RESUME IN RICHMOND

Charles Wagner and Son, George, Tell Sad Story of Man's Inhumanity.

THREE EARNED 43 CTS. A DAY

Had Been Promised Good Wages by Agent of South Carolina Oyster Packer.

After having tramped many a weary mile and undergone all sorts of hardships, Charles Wagner, sixty-seven years old, and his son, George Wagner, a youth of eighteen, arrived yesterday in Richmond, and were quartered at the headquarters of the Associated Charities. By rail, by water and afoot, the two had journeyed all the way from Bluffton, S. C., where, according to the old man's story, they had been enticed by a Baltimorean named George Saltschack, agent for George Thunderbol, an oyster packer of Bluffton, on the representation that they were to receive good wages for their work. With them Wagner took his twenty-year-old daughter, Jessie. Saltschack promised that the old man should receive \$3.50 a day as checker; George, \$2 a day, and the girl \$1.50 a day. They arrived safely, and were immediately put to work at shucking oysters. From 5 o'clock in the morning until 7 o'clock at night they labored, and when they came out the old man was given a check for 8 cents, 43 cents for three.

"What's this for?" he asked. For your day's work," was the reply. And that was all he got. Threats, persuasion, pleadings all were unavailing. Eight cents was all that he was to receive for his day's hard labor. George came out with a check for 15 cents, the girl with 20 cents. They had 43 cents among them.

"Look here, I'm an American citizen, not a Polack. Do you expect us to live on 43 cents a day?" The employer didn't care whether they lived or died, he said. He had persuaded to give them \$5, with which they bought flour and groceries. The bread from the flour resolved itself into something slightly harder than a brick bat, and they ate it with their bare hands. For three weeks they worked like this, and at last, seeing that there was no chance of bettering their position, decided to take leave of Thunderbol and his Polacks.

The plant was situated on a sort of peninsula situated below Savannah, Ga. They managed to get away, and walked seventeen miles to a place called Hardy's, where a kindhearted railroad man took them in, fed them, and gave them a little money as they fared on their way home. Mr. Wagner, J. W. Crews, assistant general manager for this district, and H. Morris, local manager of the Southern Bell Company, were present and conferred with the subcommittee.

Sorry He Left Baltimore.
Wagner is from Baltimore, where he has lived all his life. By trade he is a cigar maker, and has been employed with August Minken, of Baltimore, for twelve years. Speaking of his family, he said, "I have a son, a daughter, and nine head of children. Two of my boys are musicians in churches in Baltimore and the others work out in different places."

"I would never have left home except for the big offer Saltschack gave me. I was promised \$5 a day, and I'll never leave again."

He said that he had been most generously treated by the Southern people, and that he would never forget the unfeeling kindness with which he was treated by the Baltimoreans.

His home is at No. 1815 Alleman Street, Baltimore. As a Confederate soldier he fought three months under General Jackson, and was then disabled.

Dr. Buchanan will care for the two and send them on to their home.

RATE CASES CLOSED

Postponed Until Nov. 30th, When Judge James H. Pritchard Will Give Decision.

However Judge Pritchard may decide the Virginia passenger rate cases, they will not be further argued before him, but after the final decision, which he will render on November 30th, they will be appealed at once to the United States Supreme Court for ultimate adjudication there.

The cases finally fixed for hearing the day after tomorrow were purely formal, and owing to the illness of Senator Daniel, of counsel for the State, they were postponed.

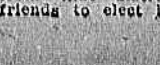
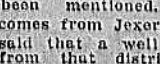
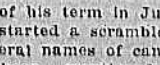
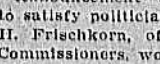
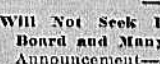
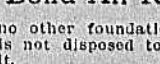
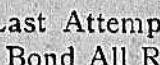
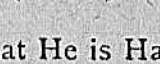
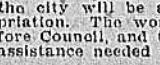
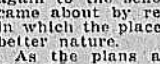
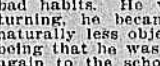
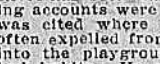
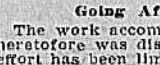
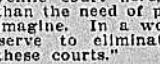
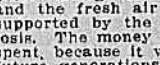
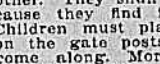
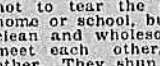
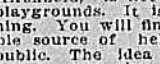
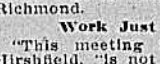
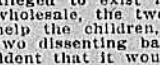
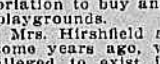
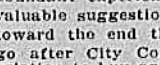
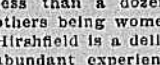
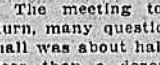
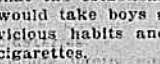
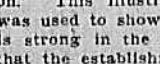
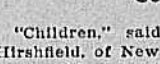
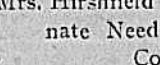
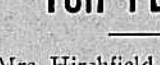
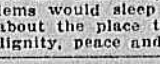
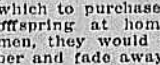
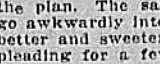
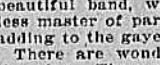
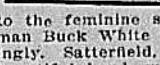
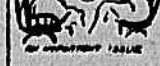
It was announced that counsel did not desire further argument, and that both sides were ready for the entry by the court. The cases were then formally closed, and lasted but a short while. Attorneys for both sides were present, and after a date for entering the final decision was set upon, nothing further was done.

Hon. Allen Caperton Braxton and Attorney-General Anderson represented the State in the proceedings. The following railroad attorneys were also present: A. P. Thom, counsel for the Southern Railway; Henry C. Williams and Henry Taylor, for the Chesapeake and Ohio; Joseph I. Doran, for the Norfolk and Western; W. B. McIlwaine, for the Atlantic Coast Line; Attorney-General Anderson for the Chesapeake and Western.

LOVE TAP INSTEAD OF VIOLENCE OF SPEECH



With Women in Council There Would Be Peace, Sweet Dreams and Fragrance.



Suggesting that a touch of femininity might help the brain problem in Council, a woman yesterday caused some of the members of that august assembly to rear up and prance. O'Brien turned white in the face, the red and healthy glow disappearing like a flash. The plan would revolutionize a body of verbosity and brains.

The one bad feature of the idea would relate to smoking. During members would be afraid to do for a suspension of rules, and the idiosyncrasy would remain unlit. Being forced to resort to extremes, men would operate on great wads of dark tobacco, and timid ones would work on chewing gum. The presence of bright and smiling, with the fragrant odor oforris root and sweet soap would have a peaceful, wholesome effect. Ben T. August, the faithful clerk, who hasn't missed a meeting since he was elected some thirty odd years ago, would keep that record running thirty more, and the howls from Marshall Ward would dwindle down to a song of love. There would be no occasion to issue clearing-house certificates for courtesy; the doors would open, and Justice John, like a breath of spring, would slide step in to view the scene of splendor.

How Scenes Would Change.
Leaders in debate—men like President Turpin and Dabney and Pollock and Mills—would gracefully give way

to the feminine speaker and Councilman Buck White would smile approvingly. Satterfield, the first to join the would become a smoke woman, would sit down to feast on salad and tea, and as they smiled they would chat of Easter hats and Bridge, young Chesterfields of the body gladly passing the plates.

Instead of sharp and stinging utterance in debate, the softness of an infant's cheek would be rough in comparison—instead of violence of speech, gentle love taps would fall upon the aldermanic wrist.

With women in Council even Mr. Umlauf's ordinance would be as sweet as a fruitful lip from the bar.

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